Section 800 Definitions and Abbreviations

800.1 Definitions

Wherever in these specifications, or in other contract documents, the following terms, or pronouns in place of them, are used, the intent and meaning shall be interpreted as follows:

- 1. **Agreed or Approved -** Official agreement or approval by use of a written document issued by the Government. Agreements also require signature of Service Provider's Representative and are dated.
- 2. **Base course -** The layer or layers of material placed on a subbase or a subgrade to support a surface course. (See Illustration of Road Maintenance Terms.)
- 3. **Berm -** A curb or dike that controls roadway runoff water, or delineates traffic direction.
- 4. **Broad based dip** A shallow ditch placed across the roadbed to remove water from the roadbed surface that can be driven across by high clearance vehicles; usually placed diagonal to the centerline.
- 5. **Catch Basin**. The area immediately adjacent to inlet invert of the culvert.
- 6. **Channel.** A natural waterway leading into or away from a culvert or bridge.
- 7. **Cross ditch.** A shallow ditch placed across the roadbed to remove water from the roadbed surface that can be driven across by full-size pickups or other high clearance vehicles; usually placed diagonal to the centerline.
- 8. **Culvert.** Any structure that provides a passageway, drain, or waterway under a road or embankment.
- 9. **Lead-off ditch**. A ditch used to remove water from roadside drainage ditches, the roadway, cattleguards, or drainage structures such as culverts and drainage dips.
- 10. **Ditch.** A relatively long narrow excavation placed to collect or disperse water.
- 11. **Drainage dip.** A drainage structure that was previously constructed within the roadbed surface to form a uniform depression that allows routine passage of vehicles while diverting water from the traveled way.
- 12. **Drainage ditch.** A ditch located parallel to and abutting the roadbed.
- 13. **Drainage structure.** A term identifying manufactured devices placed to control water movements.
- 14. **Drawings**. Illustrations showing details of required work.

- 15. **Equipment**. All machinery, operating supplies and tools necessary for the proper performance and acceptable completion of the work.
- 16. Excess Material. Material from the roadway in excess to that needed for maintenance of roadway.
- 17. **Foreslope.** The slope of the ditch section nearest to the traveled way.
- 18. **Grade.** The vertical alignment of the top surface of the road.
- 19. **Highway Vehicles.** Vehicles such as, passenger cars and high clearance vehicles.
- 20. **High Clearance Vehicles**. Vehicles such as, pickups, 4x4s, and log trucks.
- 21. **Hydrologic Function.** Physical properties of the occurrence and movement of water on the earth's surface and in particular that part which crosses transportation systems.
- 22. **Materials.** Any substances specified for use in the performance of the work.
- 23. **Measurement**. The process of identifying the dimensions, quantity, or capacity of an item..
- 24. **Nominal Dimensions or Weights.** The numerical values shown on the drawings or in the specifications as measurements for the work.
- 25. **Original Contract Quantities**. Those estimated quantities shown in the Schedule of Items as awarded.
- 26. **Patching.** Minor repairs.
- 27. **Paved Surface or Pavement.** Denotes asphalt, concrete, or other stabilized materials excluding natural aggregates. Dust palliative treatments are not considered as pavement.
- 28. **Right-of-Way**. A general term denoting (1) the privilege to pass over land in some particular line (including easement, lease, permit, or license to occupy, use, or traverse public or private Lands), or (2) real property necessary for the project, including roadway, buffer areas, access, and drainage areas.
- 29. **Roadbed.** The portion of a road between the intersection of the subgrade and side slopes, excluding that portion of the ditch below the subgrade.
- 30. **Road Listing.** A preliminary listing of road locations and any established work priorities.
- 31. **Schedule of Items**. A schedule in the contract that contains a listing and description of maintenance items, quantities, units of measure, methods of measurement, unit price, and amount.
- 32. **Shoulder.** The portion of the roadway continuous to the traveled way for accommodation of stopped vehicles, emergency use, and lateral support of travel way structure.

- 33. **Slough or Slide**. Material deposited on the roadway that may need to be repositioned or removed.
- 34. **Slump**. A localized portion of the roadbed that has slipped, or otherwise become lower than the adjacent roadbed, and constitutes a hazard to traffic.
- 35. **Standard Specifications.** Specifications for all divisions of work.
- 36. **Subgrade.** Top surface of roadbed upon which the pavement structure, shoulders, and curbs are constructed.
- 37. **Traveled Way.** The portion of the roadway designated for the movement of vehicles, exclusive of shoulders but including turnouts and curve widening.
- 38. **Turnouts**. A short auxiliary lane on a one-lane road provided for passage of meeting vehicles.
- 39. **Unit of Measure.** The unit and fractions of units shown in the Schedule of Items.
- 40. **Unsuitable Material**. Material removed during maintenance, which must be disposed of in designated locations. Includes material with substantial amounts of vegetation or other objectionable material.
- 41. Waterbar. A deeper type cross ditch, which is not intended for standard passenger vehicles.
- 42. **Work Schedule.** The Service Provider's current schedule for work progression.

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AASHTO – American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials.

ASTM – American Society for Testing and Materials.

EPA – Environmental Protection Agency.

FAR – Federal Acquisition Regulation System.

FED SPEC – Federal Specifications.

FP-03 – Standard Specifications for Construction of Roads and Bridges on Federal Highway Projects.

FSSS- Forest Service Supplemental Specifications

MSHA – Mine Safety Health Administration.

MUTCD - Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

NBS - National Bureau of Standards.

OSHA – Occupational Safety and Health Act.